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To the Chairman and Members of the

HIGHWORTH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report for the year 1950, which has been prepared on the lines suggested in the Ministry of Health Circular 112/50. The completion of this Report has been delayed owing to the necessity of awaiting the receipt of certain statistical information from the Registrar General.

During the year the District remained free from serious epidemics, and the high standard of health which has been enjoyed by the people of the District for a number of years was maintained.

Preventative medicine and the work of the Public Health Department cannot be measured in easily defined terms, but is reflected in the large amount of routine work which has to be done in order to maintain the standards already achieved. There is still much to be done, however, especially in determining the cause, method of spread, and control of many diseases such as we have with Diphtheria and Typhoid Fever, and in educating the public to a higher standard of personal and public hygiene, which would eliminate a large amount of unnecessary sickness and reduce the heavy bill for Hospitals, and sickness benefits, and increase the National Output. At the moment the cost of the whole of the Local Authority Health Services—excluding the Ambulance Service—is less than the cost of the medicine alone supplied through the National Health Service, while only about 1.5% of the total expenditure on Health Services is for direct preventive work.

It is hoped that the value of Preventative Medicine will be realized before the efficiency of the service drops severely through lack of public interest and adequate funds.

I would like to place on record my sincere appreciation and thanks for the willing co-operation and assistance received during the year from the Council, the Senior Sanitary Inspector, and other officers and staff of the Council.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

D. M. MARTYN JONES.

Medical Officer of Health.

Highworth Rural District Council

Public Health Officers of the Authority:

Medical Officer of Health—

Dr. D. M. MARTYN-JONES, M.B., CH.B., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., who is also Medical Officer of Health to the Cricklade and Wootton Bassett Rural District Council, Assistant County Medical Officer of Health, and Assistant School Medical Officer for the Wiltshire County Council.

Senior Sanitary Inspector and Housing Officer—

A. G. UNDERWOOD, CERT. S.I.B., M.S.I.A.,
MEAT AND FOOD CERT., CERT. NAT. INST. BUILDERS.

Additional Sanitary Inspector—

F. R. G. SELWOOD, CERT.R.S.I., M.S.I.A.,
MEAT AND FOOD CERT.

Assistant Housing Officer—

D. L. WALKER.

Unqualified Assistant to the Sanitary Inspector and Rodent Operator—

L. ROWLAND.

Clerical Staff—

Mrs. S. J. WHEELER—shorthand typist.

Miss S. E. NEWMAN—appointed in conjunction with the Wilts County Council, and the Cricklade and Wootton Bassett Rural District Council.

Changes in Staff.

During the year, Mr. R. W. Morris, the Unqualified Assistant to the Sanitary Inspector, and Rodent Operator, resigned his appointment to take up duties in a similar capacity with the Thornbury R.D.C., and his place was taken by Mr. L. Rowland who has proved himself a most capable and conscientious worker.

Offices.

The Public Health offices are now situated within the main Council Offices, at No. 19 Bath Road, Swindon, and the office of the Medical Officer of Health is within the same building.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area of the District (Acres)	...	...	...	48,691
Number of Parishes	...	...	...	14
Estimated Population (including Service Personnel)	...	...	...	21,640
Number of Inhabited Houses (Approximately)	...	...	...	5,832
Rateable Value	...	...	...	£106,937
Sum represented by a penny rate	...	...	...	£421
Number of new houses erected in 1950	...	...	...	79
By Private Enterprise	...	...	...	9
By Local Authority	...	...	...	70
Number of domestic dwellings connected to main water supply in H.R.D.C. water undertaking area	...	...	...	92
Number of domestic dwellings connected to main water supply in the Swindon Borough Water Undertaking area	...	...	...	30

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births:

Births				Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	...	...	...	156	165	321
Illegitimate	...	...	...	9	7	16
Total number of live births				165	172	337

Birth Rate for the District	...	...	...	15.6
Comparative figure for England and Wales	...	...	...	15.8
Comparability Factor for the District	...	...	...	1.03 1.06

Still Births.

Births				Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	...	...	...	3	4	7
Illegitimate	...	...	...	—	—	—
Total number of Still Births				3	4	7

Deaths.

Total number of deaths in the Area	...	...	...	229
Local Death rate	...	...	...	10.6
Comparative figure for England & Wales	...	...	...	11.6
Comparability factor for the District	...	...	...	1.06 1.05

Infant Mortality.

Deaths of infants under 1 year of age.

Deaths				Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	...	...	...	7	4	11
Illegitimate	...	...	...	—	—	—
Total number of deaths				7	4	11

Deaths of infants under 4 weeks of age.

Deaths				Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	...	...	...	5	4	9
Illegitimate	...	...	...	—	—	—
Total number of deaths				5	4	9

Infant Mortality Rate i.e.

Number of Deaths of infants under 1 year of age per					
1,000 live births	...	...	...	...	32.7
Comparative figure for England and Wales					29.8

Causes of Deaths

				Male	Female
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	...	...	...	4	5
Tuberculosis, other	...	...	...	2	1
Syphilitic disease	...	...	...	1	—
Acute Poliomyelitis	...	...	...	1	1
Malignant neoplasm, stomach,	...	...	...	1	—
lung, bronchus	...	...	...	5	1
breast	...	...	...	—	4
uterus	...	...	...	—	1
other	...	...	...	8	11
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	...	...	...	1	—
Diabetes	...	...	...	3	—
Vascular lesions of nervous system	...	...	...	8	16
Coronary disease, Angina	...	...	...	10	10
Hypertension with heart disease	...	...	...	2	7
Other heart disease	...	...	...	12	27
Other circulatory disease	...	...	...	7	4
Influenza	...	...	...	2	1
Pneumonia	...	...	...	2	5
Bronchitis	...	...	...	6	4
Other diseases of the Respiratory system	...	...	...	3	1
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	...	...	...	1	2
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	...	...	...	—	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis	...	...	...	—	3
Hyperplasia of Prostate	...	...	...	1	—
Congenital malformations	...	...	...	1	—
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	...	...	...	16	21
Motor vehicle accidents	...	...	...	—	1
All other accidents	...	...	...	1	1
Suicide	...	...	...	3	—
TOTAL				101	128

Deaths from Cancer.

Age	Site						Total
	Lungs	Stomach	Large Intestine	Breast	Genito-Urinary	Other	
20-30 yrs.	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
31-40 yrs.	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
41-50 yrs.	2	—	1	2	—	1	6
51-60 yrs.	2	1	—	—	2	3	8
61-70 yrs.	1	—	—	2	—	2	5
71-80 yrs.	—	—	1	2	—	2	5
81-90 yrs.	—	—	—	—	—	4	4
Unknown	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
TOTAL	6	1	3	6	2	13	31

GENERAL PROVISION OF THE HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Laboratory Facilities.

The Swindon Area Pathological Laboratory of the Oxford Regional Hospital Board undertakes all bacteriological and pathological examinations for the District.

During the year a visit to this Laboratory was made by the Members of the Council when demonstrations were given by the Staff of routine laboratory methods used in the examination of drinking water, food samples, and throat swabs, etc., used in the control of infectious diseases.

The presence of this Laboratory and its experienced Staff within easy reach is of great assistance to us, and their willing co-operation and advice is very much appreciated.

Hospital Facilities.

The Oxford Regional Hospital Board is responsible for Hospital facilities in this District..

The main general hospitals for the Area are situated at Stratton St. Margaret, and in Swindon.

Cases of common infectious diseases can be treated at the Area Isolation Hospital situated in Swindon. The Nearest Isolation Hospital for Small Pox cases is at Reading. Arrangements for admission of suspected cases are made by contacting the Secretary of the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.

Other Facilities.

The arrangements for the following health services operating in the District are made by the County Health Committee:—

Care of expectant and nursing mothers, and young children;

Domiciliary Midwifery;

Health Visiting;

Home Nursing;

Arrangements for vaccination and immunization;

Ambulances and ambulance cars;

Domestic helps;

Arrangements under Part III of the National Health Service Act, for the prevention of illness; care and after care; and health education;

Mental Health Service.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The following table shows the incidence of infectious diseases during 1950 as compared with 1948 and 1949.

Disease	1948	1949	1950
Scarlet Fever	12	12	10
Whooping Cough	72	20	84
Diphtheria	—	—	—
Measles	171	262	31
Acute Pneumonia	13	7	10
Meningococcal Infection	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis	1	4	7
Acute Encephalitis	1	—	—
Dysentery	—	4	16
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	2	1	1
Small Pox	—	—	—
Paratyphoid Fever	—	—	1
Enteric or Typhoid Fever	—	1	—
Food Poisoning	—	—	—
Erysipelas	2	3	3
Malaria	—	—	1
TOTAL	274	314	164

The distribution of cases according to age and Parish is shown in the following tables:—

ANALYSIS UNDER AGE GROUPS

Disease	Under 1 yr.	1-5 yrs.	5-15 yrs.	15-25 yrs.	25-45 yrs.	45-65 yrs.	Over 65	Unknown	Total
Scarlet Fever	—	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	10
Whooping Cough	5	34	37	2	2	—	—	4	84
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Measles	1	14	14	—	2	—	—	—	31
Pneumonia	1	2	2	—	3	1	—	—	10
Poliomyelitis	—	4	2	—	1	—	—	—	7
Dysentery	—	2	6	3	2	1	—	2	16
Paratyphoid Fever	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Typhoid Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food Poisoning	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Erysipelas	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	3
Malaria	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
TOTAL	7	60	68	5	12	5	1	6	164

DISTRIBUTION IN PARISHES

Parish	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Measles	Whooping Cough	Pneumonia	Dysentery	Poliomylitis	Paratyphoid Fever	Erysipelas	Malaria	Puerperal Pyrexia	Total
Highworth	—	—	1	8	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	12
Stratton	—	7	22	52	6	—	—	1	3	—	—	91
Chiseldon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Haydon Wick	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	5
South Marston	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wroughton	—	—	2	24	3	15	1	—	—	—	—	45
Liddington	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4
Bishopstone	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Blunsdon	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Castle Eaton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hannington Wick	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inglesham	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stanton Fitzwarren	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wanborough	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
TOTAL	—	10	31	84	10	16	7	1	3	1	1	164

These figures do not represent the total number of cases of infectious diseases that have occurred, but those which were notified to the Local Authority in accordance with the Public Health Act, 1936. I am pleased to report increasing co-operation in the notification of infectious diseases. It is not generally understood, however, that the head of the family to which the patient belongs—or the nearest relative—has a duty under the Act to notify the occurrence of infectious disease to the Medical Officer of Health, this matter usually being left to the General Practitioner who sees the case.

Poliomyelitis.

Five cases of Paralytic Poliomyelitis were notified in the small village of Haydon Wick, (population 440), during the period 15th September to 18th October. One child died while away on holiday, and of the remainder, two have residual disabilities, while the rest made good recoveries.

A further two cases occurred later in other Parishes, while cases had been occurring previously in the adjoining Borough of Swindon. Apart from these cases of Paralytic Poliomyelitis, enquiries revealed the fact that several children had been unwell with febrile illnesses at the same time, which in some cases were not severe enough to need medical attention, or in whom the diagnosis of Poliomyelitis was not made. One such case was seen later when she was found to be limping after recovery from a mild febrile illness.

Tuberculosis.

It is pleasing to report a reduction in the number of new cases notified during the year:

New Cases

Year				No. of cases
1950	...	...	...	22
1949	...	...	...	36
1948	...	...	...	16

Distribution of new cases and deaths according to age and sex is as follows:—

Age	New cases Male	Male Deaths	New cases Female	Female Deaths	Total	
					New cases	Deaths
Under 1 yr. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
1-5 yrs. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
5-15 yrs. ...	1	—	—	—	1	—
15-25 yrs ...	3	—	2	1	5	1
25-35 yrs ...	4	—	2	1	6	1
35-45 yrs. ...	2	1	—	1	2	2
45-55 yrs. ...	3	1	—	1	3	2
55-65 yrs. ...	3	1	—	1	3	2
65 over ...	1	—	1	1	2	1
Unknown ...	—	2	—	1	—	3
Total ...	17	5	5	7	22	12

A survey of the Tuberculosis register revealed that since 1920, 499 original entries had been made. Of these 100 persons are known to have died; 69 are known to have recovered; while 188 still require supervision or treatment. Of the remainder many have left the District and a few were receiving no treatment.

Housing of Tuberculosis Patients.

During the year four cases were referred by the Chest Physician for consideration for re-housing. These cases are classified as follows:—

Certificate No. 1. Sputum-positive cases were re-housed is considered urgent for the prevention of infection.

Certificate No. 2. Where better housing would be desirable in order to improve and maintain the patient's health.

Certificate No. 3. Where improved housing would be beneficial but is not an urgent matter.

The following is a summary of the cases dealt with during the year.

Type of Case				No. cases referred	No. cases rehoused
Certificate No. 1	...	...	...	2	2
Certificate No. 2	...	...	...	2	2
Certificate No. 3	...	...	...	—	—
TOTAL				4	4

DIPHThERIA IMMUNIZATION

Diphtheria immunization is carried out systematically throughout the District by General Practitioners, and County Medical Officers, in homes, nurseries, welfare centres and schools.

The following figures show the number of children immunized during the year, and it will be seen that although approximately 90% of the children between 5—14 years of age have been immunized, only 33% of the younger children have thus been protected against Diphtheria.

Diphtheria immunization was suspended for a while during the summer owing to the prevalence of Poliomyelitis in this and neighbouring districts, and this no doubt, accounts in part for the low figure, but every effort must be made to at least double this figure in 1951.

Number of children up to 5 years of age who completed a full course of immunization during 1950	...	152
Number of children between 5—14 years of age	...	112
Total immunized population at 31-12-50.		
Up to 5 years of age	... ..	576
Between 5—14 years of age	... ..	2449

VACCINATION.

The National Health Service Act repealed the provision for the compulsory vaccination of children and the appointment of public vaccinators. Vaccination is now only performed by General Practitioners on request from the parent, and during 1950 only 11.2% of children born during the year were thus protected against Small Pox. This is a slight improvement over 1949, but is still most satisfactory.

With the development of air transport on a large scale, the risk of Small Pox being brought into the Country undetected is increased enormously, and the likelihood of Small Pox epidemics correspondingly increased. This fact is obviously still not appreciated by the public and their consciences are lulled by the insidious and falacious propaganda of the anti-vaccination societies.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948
Section 47. Removal to Suitable Premises
of Persons in need of Care and Attention.

During the year several cases were investigated and dealt with, but it gives me pleasure to report that it was not found necessary to obtain a Court Order for the removal of any persons against their will from their homes.

This step is one that should only be considered after all the assistance that can be given by Home Helps, District Nurses, National Assistance Officers, and Welfare Officers, etc., has failed to provide the care and attention needed, and it is felt that there is a need for more co-ordination of these services which are available to assist the Aged and Infirm.

REPORT OF THE
SENIOR SANITARY INSPECTOR AND
HOUSING OFFICER

To: The Chairman and Members of the:

HIGHWORTH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have pleasure in presenting to you, my Annual Report on the Sanitary Administration of the Rural District of Highworth, for the year 1950.

A great deal of care and work is being put into the Annual Report, and records have to be carefully kept and checked during the year, so that the Report is in accordance with the Ministry of Health requirements. Therefore, I hope that the Report will be read and examined by members of the Council, and I feel sure that both the Medical Officer of Health and myself would appreciate the observations of the members, and would be pleased to answer any questions dealing with the dual Report.

May I take this opportunity of thanking the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Public Health and Housing Committees, and also the members of the Council, for their wholehearted support during the year reviewed.

I am also indebted to the Medical Officer of Health and the members of my Staff for their loyalty and service during the year.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

A. G. UNDERWOOD,

Senior Sanitary Inspector
and Housing Officer.

SECTION ONE

HOUSING.

Rural Housing Survey:

It is regrettable that due to other urgent duties and pressure of work due to new law, it has not been possible to complete the Housing Survey of the whole of the district. The completion of the Survey would give valuable information as to the housing needs, and prepare the way for action under the Housing Act 1936—1949, both as to repair and Demolition.

I feel it will need additional qualified Staff to complete the work, and would take at least one year to inspect and compile all the records needed.

Rural Housing Survey details for the Year 1950.

(a)	Estimated number of houses in district	...	5832
(b)	Total number of dwelling houses inspected for schedule of defects, measured, Survey Sheets typed, and recorded in the Housing Survey Register		1898
(c)	Number of Houses measured not in above and not yet inspected for schedule of defects	...	679
(d)	Total number of houses inspected under this heading	... ..	2577

Categorisation of Houses Inspected:

Cat. 1.	Cat. 2.	Cat. 3.	Cat. 4.	Cat. 5.	Total
810	287	369	123	309	1898

From this list; it will be seen that approximately 12½% of the houses in your area, which have been inspected, are in serious need of repair or demolition.

Action under Housing Act. 1936—Condemned Houses:

Work under this heading is again entirely dependant upon new houses being built. It is useless to Serve Demolition Orders upon owners, unless the Local Authority is prepared to meet the moral responsibility of re-housing the occupants. It will be seen under this heading, that approximately 12½% of the houses are in need of urgent housing repair or demolition, and in the next year or two, many of these houses will be beyond repair, and the families will need re-housing.

During the year, Demolition Orders were made on four properties, making a total since 1945, of 35 houses, and many more Orders would be made if accommodation were available to re-house the tenants. Every effort is being made by the Council to re-house the tenants where Demolition Orders have been made, but this depends upon the allocation of houses by the Ministry concerned.

Proceedings under Section II, Housing Act. 1936.

(a)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolitions Orders have been made.	...	4
(b)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Undertakings have been accepted by this Local Authority	... ..	—

Overcrowding.

Works to abate overcrowding are also in the main, entirely dependant upon new house construction, and although excellent progress has been made in 1950, and in all, 296 houses have been erected since 1945, the supply of new houses by no means meets the demand. Many cases of overcrowding exist at the present time, and cannot be relieved until houses are erected. Although the majority of the overcrowding is not serious, if houses are not completed quickly in the next year or so, many serious cases of overcrowding will exist.

It would be only fair to mention the many cases of under occupation of Council owned property however. In many of the Council's three bedroom type houses, only one or two persons reside, and these persons have been tenants of the Council for many years, and the family has grown up and left leaving the Mother and Father only in occupation. It does appear that everything should be done to make three bedroom houses available for the rising population, by the provision of smaller houses for the aged.

Sub-Standard Accommodation—Squatters Camps:

In the 1949 Annual Report, it was reported that 94 families were housed on Camps. At the end of 1950, due to the Council's progressive policy only one camp was in use, this being at Burderop, in the parish of Wroughton.

This was the best of the Camps, and the huts were converted to give a three year life, and improved living conditions, but too many families have been far too long on this camp, to encourage good home life and citizenship. It is hoped that in 1951, many of the families who have been on the camp for over three years, will be re-housed. All the other families from other camps have been re-housed.

Inspections under the Housing Act 1936—1949.

(a)	For housing conditions under Housing Acts	...	231
(b)	For housing conditions under Public Health Act.		75
(c)	Applications for Council Houses	... ..	653
(d)	Re-overcrowding	... ..	23

(c)	Inspections for Repair and Maintenance Licences	...	...	...	24
(f)	Inspections for Civil Building Licences	...			11
(g)	Conditions in Council Property	...	...		140
(h)	Inspections re-Lodgers in Council houses	...			14
					<hr/> 1,171 <hr/>

HOUSING APPLICATIONS STATISTICS

Total Applications 499

Years in which Applications were Received.											
	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Number of Applicants	—	—	—	3		24	54	63	53	127	170
Size of Family Details.											
	Single	Man & Wife		&2C	&3C	&4C	&5C	&6C	&7C	&8C	&9C
Number of Applicants	7	141	175	122	39	8	4	2	1	—	—
Residential Qualifications.											
	Nil	Yrs. 1½	Yrs. 1½-3	Yrs. 3-6	Yrs. 6-10	Yrs. 10-15	Yrs. 15-20	Life-time			
Number of Applicants	24	25	29	54	42	46	28	251			
Wage Groups.											
	£4	£4 10	£5	£5 10	£6	£6 10	£7	£7 10	£8	£8 10	Over
Number of Applicants	57	46	112	94	112	56	29	10	13	10	
Rent Groups.											
	3/-	4/-	5/-	6/-	7/-	8/-	9/-	10/-	11/-	12/-	Over
Number of Applicants	13	7	28	36	57	17	6	99	3	11	222
Age Groups in Terms of Years.											
	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	Over
Number of Applicants	49	133	122	75	35	42	14	13	12	2	4

No. of serious illness or disease cases ... 30 No. of Ex-Service cases ... 351

SECTION TWO

SANITATION.

Number and Nature of Inspections made during 1950.

	Year	
	1949	1950
Number of complete housing inspections under the Rural Housing Survey	172	3
Number of detailed inspections made for housing complaints under Rural Housing Survey ...	288	228
Number of inspections re drainage of property ...	121	298
Number of inspections of dirty and verminous premises	49	46
Number of inspections of requisitioned properties ...	36	18
.. .. Council House applications ...	921	653
.. .. interviews with owners and builders ...	188	207
.. .. inspections re application for building Licence	53	24
Number of inspections re suitability of domestic water supplies	298	57
Number of Inspections re sampling of water supplies ...	116	112
.. .. Food premises	147	163
.. .. Camps and Squatters ...	847	122
.. .. Ice Cream production ...	58	47
.. .. Tents Vans and Sheds ...	95	213
.. .. Keeping of animals ...	26	47
.. .. Offensive trades ...	8	6
.. .. Factory Act, 1937 ...	120	123
.. .. Rats & Mice Destruction Act	735	548
.. .. Bakehouses	23	31
.. .. Knackers Yard ...	31	35
.. .. ditches and streams ...	30	23
.. .. Under Shop Acts ...	21	11
.. .. Overcrowding ...	39	23
.. .. Milk and Dairies ...	233	97
.. .. Refuse collection & disposal	470	315
.. .. Petroleum Acts ...	31	49
.. .. Infectious diseases ...	42	79
.. .. Miscellaneous unspecified visits ...	89	87
.. .. Meat Inspections	163	185
.. .. Inspections re taking of lodgers ...	54	14
.. .. of Schools	29	12
.. .. re outworkers	21	16
TOTAL ...	5553	3892

Control of Vermin and Verminous Premises.

Similar to the action taken last year, isolated cases of flea and fly infestation were dealt with by the Department. Proprietary brands of insecticides were used, containing D.D.T. or Gammexane, and excellent results were obtained in every case.

A heavy infestation of crickets arose on the Wroughton Tip, which necessitated a large area of the tip being treated with Gammexane, at heavy cost, but I am pleased to report that after treatment, and the distribution of Gammexane powder to houses near the tip, the trouble was cleared within a matter of days. Further action is being taken in 1951, to prevent a recurrence of the infestation.

Infestation by flies at properties adjoining the Tip was dealt with by a fly spray, and persons living in the houses near the tip are quite satisfied that the Local Authority is carrying out its duty both on the tip and on the adjoining property, in a satisfactory manner.

Rodent Control.

The following analysis shows the increased amount of work carried out under this heading.

This has now become a regular routine service called upon by all ratepayers, and in my opinion, its success depends chiefly upon the service being free, so that notifications of infestation are quickly received and promptly dealt with.

Treatments were carried out to all the Council sewer systems, and successful results were obtained. I am not in favour of estimated figures of rats killed as I believe this can be misleading. Success, in my opinion, depends upon the care and thoroughness of the operator, and if well trained, he will obtain the maximum results, at all times.

PREVALENCE OF RATS AND MICE

	Number of properties in this area in which infestation was				Analysis of Total. Number infested by		
	Notified by occupier	Otherwise discovered	Total		Rats		Mice only
					Major	Minor	
Councils property ...	—	15	15		4	11	—
Dwelling houses ...	41	13	54		—	51	3
Business Premises ...	5	4	9		—	8	1
Agricultural properties	1	1	2		—	2	—
	47	33	80		4	72	4

MEASURES OF CONTROL BY LOCAL AUTHORITY

	No. of properties inspected	No. of inspections made	No. of Notices served under Section 4		Number of treatments carried out			Block treatments of properties in different occupancies under Sect. 6 or by formal arrangement.				
			Treat-ments	Wks.	By arrange-ment with occupier	Rats	Mice only	Rats	Mice only	No. of blocks	Surface	Associated Sewers
Councils property	15	78	—	—	15	—	—	—	—	—	79	
Dwelling houses	88	387	—	—	43	3	—	—	8	33	—	
Business Premises	14	72	—	—	2	1	—	—	6	7	—	
Agricultural properties	2	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	5	—	
	119	548	—	—	60	4	—	—	16	45	79	

Refuse Collection and Disposal:

Refuse collection and disposal are under the control of the Public Health Department. The work was carried out during 1950, by a Dennis 10 Cubic yard and Fordson 12 cubic yard vehicles, with a staff of two drivers, and five other workmen.

Two refuse tips are in use, at Wroughton and Highworth, giving facilities for tipping in the North and South of the district. Both tips are in good condition and well controlled. Regular attention is given to tips on a monthly basis for Rodent Control and other infestations, and although the Wroughton Tip suffered infestation by crickets during 1950, this was quickly brought under control by the use of Gammexane.

It is hoped that during 1951, the Local Authority will find it possible to provide a weekly collection in every one of the Council's fourteen parishes, and report on this will be made in the 1951 Report.

Details of refuse collected:

Blunsdon St. Andrew	...	418	Cubic yards
Bishopstone	...	112	.. ..
Castle Eaton	...	68	.. ..
Chiseldon	...	882	.. ..
Hannington	...	73	.. ..
Haydon Wick	...	420	.. ..
Highworth	...	1840	.. ..
Inglesham	...	68	.. ..
Liddington	...	108	.. ..
South Marston	...	223	.. ..
Stanton Fitzwarren	...	68	.. ..
Stratton St. Margaret	...	3624	.. ..
Wanborough	...	240	.. ..
Wroughton	...	1536	.. ..
TOTAL		9680	.. ..

Salvage Collection and Disposal.

In the 1949 Report, comments were made with regard to the regrettable position of having to cut down the collection of waste paper, due to the waste paper collectors and mills being overstocked, and because of this, the value of salvageable materials disposed of was heavily reduced.

However, it is hoped that in 1951, a large increase will be shown over the figures for 1950, which will benefit the ratepayers in general.

Details of Salvage.

	1950				1949			
	Weight		Value		Weight		Value	
	T.	C. Q.	lbs.	£ s. d.	T.	C. Q.	lbs.	£ s. d.
Paper	—	—	—	— — —	60	1 2 7	349	2 8
Rags	—	10	1 15	8 16 6	3	18 3 18	66	1 1
Sacking	—	7	3 —	2 14 3	3	10 1 5	22	— 7
Non-ferrous metals ...	—	—	2 —	17 6	—	1 2 25	3	13 11
Ferrous metals ...	4	14	3 —	10 13 3	18	5 1 —	40	7 11
Rubber	—	—	—	— — —	1	7 2 —	1	7 6
Bottles	17	doz.		3 8 —	34	bottles		4 3
Battery	1	x 12v.		18 —	—	— — —	—	— — —
	1	x 6v.						
	5	12	1 15	27 7 6	87	5 — 27	482	17 11

Tents Vans and Sheds.

My remarks under this heading given in 1949, still hold good, and it is noticeable that the increase in this form of housing accommodation continues, and at the end of 1950, 46 caravan licences were operative in this district, the bulk of which were issued to families in need of homes.

The whole position under this heading should be reviewed, and guidance given to Local Authorities on the preparation of sites, and if necessary, reconsideration of Section 269 of the Public Health Act. 1936, which to say the least, is out of date in view of the new housing situation, and the Town and Country Planning Act. 1947.

Factory Act. 1937.

There has been a slight alteration in the types of factories within the Rural District during the year, but the number still remains at 76. A list of the types of factories is given below.

123 Inspections have been carried out at these factories under the section of the Factory Act 1937, appropriate to Local Authority action, and minor improvements and alterations have been carried out to sanitary accommodation and hygienic conditions. Generally speaking, the conditions in factories in this area are satisfactory.

Type of work carried out				Number
Agricultural Crop drying	...	...	...	2
Bakers and confectioners	...	...	...	13
Blacksmiths	...	...	...	5
Brick making	...	...	...	2
Brewing, aerated water, etc.	...	...	...	1
Boot repairers	...	...	...	3
Bacon curer	...	...	...	1
Engineering, including garages	...	...	...	24
Food Canning	...	...	...	1
Joinery, woodworking, undertaking etc.	...	...	...	11
Knackers Yard, tallow melting, metal sorting				1
Mat and rug making	...	...	...	1
Paper baling	...	...	...	1
Rope making	...	...	...	1
Sausage making	1
Sawmilling	3
Tailoring	2
Upholstering	1
Wheelwrights	3
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				76
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ACTION UNDER FACTORY ACT, 1937

Inspecting.

Premises	M/c Line No.	Number of				M/c Line No.
		No. of register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted	
(a) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities...	1	46	93	8	—	1
(b) Factories not included in (a) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority...	2	30	30	—	—	2
(c) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority ...	3	—	—	—	—	3
	—	76	123	8	—	—

Outworkers.

Section 110							
	M/c line No.	No. of outworkers in August list required by Sec. 110	No. of cases of default in sending lists	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in un- wholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Apparel Making, etc. Wearing Cleaning and washing	13	3	—	—	—	—	—

Outworkers.

Inspections were carried out to all the sixteen cases of outworkers notified to this Authority and in each case, the work was being carried out under satisfactory hygienic conditions. It was unnecessary to make report to H.M. Inspector of Factories.

Shops Act.

No action was found necessary under this heading, but in view of the fact that inspection would be made for hygiene upon the introduction of Food Byelaws, attention was drawn to items required under this heading.

Public Houses.

Less work has been carried out on the inspection of public houses both as to sanitary accommodation, water supplies and general hygiene, than in 1949, as a great deal of work was done in previous years, and the public houses are now becoming satisfactory.

There has been good co-operation between the Ministry, the brewers and the Local Authority, and inspection is carried out regularly where licences to sell food have been granted.

Support is given on works of improvement to public houses, where defects are found as to sanitary accommodation, and the general standards throughout the district are very good.

Water Supplies.

Chemical and Bacteriological examination of all the public supplies was carried out during the year, and regular monthly samples were submitted for bacteriological examination only.

In all the public supplies, the results were satisfactory. The following tables show the number of samples taken from public and private sources, and the action taken. The supplies throughout the year were well maintained, and no shortages in any parish were notified. The water throughout the year was free from plumbo solvent action.

Shortage of pipes held up extensions of mains in several parishes, but it is hoped that in 1951, the outstanding parishes will have been dealt with.

During the year, 19 houses were connected to water mains by water pipes into the houses, as a result of action under the Water Act, 1945.

The parishes are supplied with water from the following sources :

Parish		Source
Bishopstone	...	Private undertakers. Ecclesiastical Commissioners. The work of providing a main supply by the H.R.D.C., to the hamlet of Little Hinton in the parish of Bishopstone, was completed in 1950. The total length of main laid was approximately 2,942 yards.
Blunsdon St. Andrew	...	Borehole at Latton, Swindon Corporation supply—chlorinated.
Castle Eaton	...	Borehole at Ashton Keynes — Cricklade and Wootton Bassett Rural District Council supply. Chlorinated.
Chiseldon	...	Wells at Ogbourne St. George —Swindon Corporation supply—chlorinated. During the year, the water main was extended from Station Road, Chiseldon, through Badbury to Medbourne and a supply made available to the properties and farms en route.
Hannington	...	Borehole at Latton — Swindon Corporation supply—chlorinated.
Haydon Wick	...	Borehole at Latton — Swindon Corporation supply—chlorinated.
Highworth	...	do. do.
South Marston	...	do. do.
Inglesham	...	do. do.
Liddington	...	Borehole at Ham Road, Wanborough, Highworth R.D.C.
Stanton Fitzwarren	...	Borehole at Latton — Swindon Corporation supply —chlorinated. The properties at Stanton Fitzwarren in the ownership of the Exors. of the late Mr. H. A. C. Masters, which had been supplied with water from either standpipes or wells, have been connected to the mains with a supply inside the houses. The number of properties affected was 22. This work was carried out by the Council's own workmen.
Stratton St. Margaret	...	Borehole at Latton — Swindon Corporation supply — chlorinated.
Wanborough	...	Borehole at Ham Road, Wanborough. Highworth R.D.C. supply. It was necessary during the year to renew the worn out oil bath non-balancing type gear head with a new modern oil type power gear of the balancing weight type, which has given an increased pumping capacity at this Station.

Parish	Source
Wroughton 	Three courses. Markham heading springs. Wells at Gadbourne — Highworth R.D.C. supply for approximately one-third of the parish, the remainder being supplied from boreholes at Ogbourne St. George — Swindon Corporation supply — chlorinated. During the year, it was found that one of the top well pumps at the Gadbourne Waterworks had become so badly worn that it was necessary to have this renewed.

Water Supplies Generally.

Owing to the increased demands on water taken through the meter at Blunsdon, due to connecting up South Marston, and the additional water taken by farmers, the existing 3 inch meter has been removed and a 6 inch meter fitted.

Mains water supply was made available to the properties in Widhill Lane, Blunsdon, during the year.

Instructions were given to the Engineer, to prepare a scheme for the supply of mains water to the hamlet of Sevenhampton. This scheme is now being prepared.

During the year, a scheme was prepared and submitted to the Ministry of Local Government and Planning, for the supply of mains water to Priors Farley Farm, Nightingale Farm, and Roves Farm, at South Marston.

This scheme has been approved in principal by the Ministry, and permission given to the placing of an order for the pipes, but there will be a delay of approximately eighteen months in the delivery of these pipes.

Some of the pipes have been received during the latter part of the year, for the laying of a main along Hyde Road, and Kingsdown Road and it is hoped that this work will be commenced early in 1951.

REPORT ON SAMPLES OF WATER SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SUPPLIES.

Where Taken	Parish	Results	Action Taken	Bacteriological
Stand Pipe in Roadway	Liddington	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Wolstanton, Ham Rd. ...	Liddington	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
3 Warneage Green ...	Wanboro'	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
5 Council Houses ...	S. Marston	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Stand Pipe near				
8 The Green	Highworth	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
1 The Brow ...	H. Wick	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
5 Okus Grove ...	Stratton	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Post Office ...	Wanboro'	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
The Calley Arms ...	Wanboro'	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
189 Ermin St. ...	Stratton	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Post Office, North				
Wroughton ...	Wroughton	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Stand Pipe, Church Hill	Wroughton	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
15 Downs View Rd. ...	Highworth	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
20 Ermin St. ...	Blunsdon	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Stand Pipe near				
8 The Green ...	Highworth	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
17 Station Rd. ...	Chisledon	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
New Water Main,				
Little Hinton ...	Bishopstone	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Kingdown House ...	Stratton	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
100 Kingsdown Rd. ...	Stratton	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Church Farm ...	Inglesham	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Stand Pipe, Old Pound		Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Cottages ...	Inglesham			
The Rails ...	Bishopstone	Suspicious	Nil	Yes
1 Council Houses ...	S. Marston	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Marine Mountings ...	Wroughton	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Merchiston,		Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Swindon Rd. ...	Stratton		Nil	Yes
26 Swindon St. ...	Highworth	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
91 Green Rd. ...	Stratton	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
49 Priors Hill ...	Wroughton	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
16 The Brow ...	H. Wick	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Where Taken	Parish	Results	Action Taken	Chemical
11 Downs View Rd. ...	Highworth	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Stand Pipe, Pounds				
Cotts. ...	Inglesham	Highly Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Church Farm ...	Inglesham	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Marine Mountings,				
Canteen ...	Wroughton	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Marine Mountings,				
Main ...	Wroughton	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes

REPORT ON SAMPLES OF WATER SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS

PRIVATE SUPPLIES.

Where Taken	Parish	Result	Action Taken	Bacterio-logical
Hodson House ...	Chisledon	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Well, Burderop Park ...	Chisledon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
The Reservoir, Burderop Park ...	Chisledon	Suspicious	Notified owner	Yes
Hodson House ...	Chisledon	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Reservoir, Burderop Park ...	Chisledon	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
New bore, Burderop Park ...	Chisledon	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
The Rails ...	Bishopstone	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
18-20 Hodson ...	Chisledon	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
5 Foxhill Cotts. ...	Wanboro'	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Post Office ...	Bishopstone	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
The Street ...	Highworth	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Sevenhampton ...	Wanboro'	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
5 Foxhill Cotts. ...	Wanboro'	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
4 New Cotts., Foxhill ...	Liddington	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Bore Hole, Liddington	Wanboro'	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
King Edward Place, Foxhill ...				
Where Taken	Parish	Result	Action Taken	Chemical
18-20 Hodson ...	Chisledon	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
5 Foxhill Cotts. ...	Wanboro'	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Post Office ...	Bishopstone	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
The Street ...	Highworth	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Sevenhampton ...				

REPORT ON SAMPLES OF WATER SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS

INDIVIDUAL SUPPLIES.

Where Taken	Parish	Result	Action Taken	Bacterio- logical
The Grange ...	Blunsdon	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
The Bungalow, Hyde Rd. ...	Blunsdon	Gross Pollution	Notified owner	Yes
Grove Cottages ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Abbey Cottages ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Abbey Farm ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Beech Cottages ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
The Grange Cottage ...	Blunsdon	Highly Satisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Abbey Cafe ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
32 St. Phillips Rd. ...	Stratton	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
33 St. Phillips Rd. ...	Stratton	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
37-38 St. Phillips Rd. ...	Stratton	Unsatisfactory	Notified owners	Yes
154 Kingsdown Rd. ...	Stratton	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
4-5 Kingsdown Rd. (2)...	Stratton	Unsatisfactory	Notified owners	Yes
2-3 Kingsdown Rd. ...	Stratton	Unsatisfactory	Notified owners	Yes
"Cerney," Upper Wid- hill ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
"Hillside," Upper Widhill ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Lower Widhill Cotts. ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
6 Brimble Hill ...	Wroughton	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
"Cerney View," Upper Widhill ...	Blunsdon	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
The Bungalow, Hyde Rd. ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Holdcroft (1) ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Holdcroft (2) ...	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Bridge House ...	Inglesham	Gross Pollution	Notified owner	Yes
39 Kingsdown Rd. ...	Stratton	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
595 Cricklade Rd. ...	Stratton	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Meadow Cottage ...	S. Marston	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Nightingale Farm ...	S. Marston	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Priors Farly Farm ...	S. Marston	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes
Roves Farm ...	Seven- hampton	Satisfactory	Nil	Yes
Upper Burytown Farm	Blunsdon	Unsatisfactory	Notified owner	Yes

SEWAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Parish	Source
Bishopstone ...	These Parishes have no proper sewerage system.
Blunsdon St. Andrew ...	
Castle Eaton ...	
Inglesham ...	
Liddington ...	
South Marston ...	
Stanton Fitzwarren ...	
Wanborough ...	The built up area of the parish is sewered, the works comprising detritus tanks, settling tanks, storm water tank and treatment by land irrigation.
Chiseldon ...	
Haydon Wick ...	The built up area of the parish is sewered, the works comprising a settling tank and treatment by land irrigation.
Highworth ...	The built up portion of the parish (excepting the hamlets of Hampton and Sevenhampton) are sewered, sewage is discharged at two works, one at Westrop, and the other at Eastrop. At Eastrop, there are two settling tanks and one at Westrop. Treatment at both works is by land irrigation.
Stratton St. Margaret ...	The built up portion of the parish is sewered, the works comprise detritus tanks, settling tanks, bacteria beds, humus tanks, and storm tanks. This is a comparatively modern plant, being constructed in 1936.

The existing sewer along Sheep Street and Cherry Orchard, Highworth, was found to be rat infested and in a very bad state. Upon investigation it was found that this sewer was a stone constructed culvert, and the sewage was percolating into the sub-soil. It was therefore agreed to re-lay this sewer, and this work was completed during the year.

Instructions were given to the Engineer to prepare a scheme for the extensions of the sewer to 10 properties on the West side of Cricklade Road, Stratton St. Margaret, the cost being estimated at £1,350. and this would have been carried out, but in view of the Swindon Corporation Bill, the work will now be carried out by the Corporation.

Notices served under Public Health Act, 1936.

	Formal	Informal
Number of notices served ...	2	76
Number outstanding at December, 1950 ...	—	4
Total number of houses rendered fit after service of informal or formal letter or action ...		250

SECTION THREE.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

During the year 163 inspections were carried out to food premises, and it is not possible at the present time, to give full details of all the types of food premises within the area, but it is hoped to give this information in detail in the 1951 Report, when it is hoped that inspection will have been completed of all food premises, under Food Byelaws.

However, the position is briefly, as follows:—

Fried Fish Shops.

There are only five such shops in this district, and the conditions, in all cases, are very much improved, following inspection. No action was necessary during the year.

Bakehouses.

Action was taken with regard to two of the thirteen bakehouses in this district, which were in need of reconstruction and improvement, and in certain other cases, lime washing and cleansing were found necessary.

Butchers Shops.

All the ten butchers shops have been regularly inspected during the year, and generally, they are kept in a clean and hygienic condition.

Further improvements will no doubt be found necessary in certain cases when the Food Byelaws are enforced, and these improvements are promised by the owners concerned, during 1951.

Ice Cream Premises.

There are thirty eight premises registered for the sale of ice cream in this district—37 for the sale of pre packed ice cream, and one for the manufacture by the cold mix method.

In all cases, inspection was carried out both before and after registration, with regard to condition of premises, storage and distribution. No action was found necessary during the year.

Generally.

The conditions in the food premises which have been inspected and reported earlier, while not up to the standards required by the Food Byelaws, continue to improve, due in my opinion, to the publicity being given to the high standard of hygiene and cleanliness which is required both from owners of food premises, and also from persons working and handling food. It is found in many cases, that the employee is the biggest offender, and it is only by educating the worker to the danger of contaminated food, that this problem can be dealt with.

In view of this, during 1950 a film was shown to the largest factory in the area, where food is handled, and gave very satisfactory results.

Bacon Factory.

The number of pigs slaughtered at The Stratton St. Margaret Bacon Factory, continues to increase, and during 1950 over four times as many pigs were slaughtered and inspected as were dealt with in 1949.

The way the slaughtering is handled continues to give satisfaction, and will improve further as the number of pigs killed gets higher.

There is great co-operation between the owners and management of this company, and improvements are being made month by month, to give better hygienic conditions in the factory.

	No. of pigs
Number killed	6463
Number inspected	6463
All diseases except Tuberculosis.	
Whole carcasses condemned	1
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	739
Tuberculosis only.	
Whole carcasses condemned	4
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	230

Parts or Organs Condemned at the Slaughterhouse.

5 Pigs Carcasses.	6 Forequarters of Pig.
5 Part legs of Pigs.	1 Part loin of Pig.
4 lbs. Pigs Trimmings.	2 Pigs flanks.
2 Pigs Flecks.	2 Pigs Spleens.
170 Pigs heads.	66 Pigs Livers.
63 Pigs Hearts.	126 Pigs Kidneys.
87 Pigs Plucks.	471 Pigs lungs.
68 Pigs Guts.	3 Pigs Mesenteries.

Unsound Food.

During the year, the following articles of food were found to be unfit for human consumption, and Surrender Notes were issued accordingly.

12 Part Hindquarters of Beef	...	1277 lbs.
1 Part Forequarter of Beef	...	87 lbs.
Bacon	...	136 lbs.
3 legs of Lamb	...	22 lbs.
Corned Beef	...	646 lbs.
Corned Mutton	...	6 lbs.
Ham	...	12 lbs.
Tins of various foods	...	371

Slaughter of Animals Act. 1933.

The number of Licensed slaughtermen in this district at December 1950, was 26.

In addition to the Bacon Factory, there are five other slaughter houses in the district, which are Licensed for the slaughter of cottagers pigs only.

In each case, the premises are regularly inspected and lime-washed and kept in a hygienic condition.

Milk Sampling.

During the year, the following samples of milk were submitted for examination.

Methylene Blue and Phosphatase Test.

	T.T.	Pasteur-ised	Ordinary	Total
Samples taken	7	3	7	17
Failed test applicable	1	—	5	6

In the case of a failure of the appropriate test, the necessary action was taken with regard to either the dairymen or the distributor, and further samples will be taken in 1951.

Biological Examination.

Four ordinary ungraded milks were submitted for guinea pig tests, and one of these was reported positive. The necessary notification was given to the supplying dairy, and also the Public Health Department of the adjoining Local Authority, who took the appropriate action.

Ice Cream Samples.

No samples of ice cream were submitted for examination, but regular inspection has been made of all the premises registered for the sale.

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